



## IS HE THE MAN

Col. Clayton Places Some Faith in the Story of Landis.

Who Declares That Hickey Is the Plumerville Assassin.

A SECRET AND IMPORTANT CONFERENCE AT LITTLE ROCK.

Some Strange Features of the Case—Justice Bentz, Who Will Try Hickey, Was First Accused of Killing John M. Clayton—How Sheriff White and Lawyer Reedfigured in Events Out of Which Came the Tragedy.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 8.—Sheriff B. G. White, with W. H. Burkhardt, and Landers, the principal witness against Frank Hickey, accused of assassinating John M. Clayton, Jan. 29, 1892, at Plumerville, and A. J. Warner, the Butte (Mont.) policeman, arrived this afternoon shortly after 8 o'clock. This morning Burkhardt showed signs of wanting to set away, and he was arrested by White as accessory to the crime. Col. W. H. Clayton, brother of the murdered man, arrived in the city this morning from Fort Smith. Burkhardt and Warner were closed with Col. Clayton and Henry M. Cooper, Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, all the afternoon. What passed between them all refuse to state.

Col. Clayton says he does not believe the story that Burkhardt is altogether a fake. Warner says Burkhardt, Hickey and himself are the Butte trio. They quarreled. The result of this quarrel was that Burkhardt, who had always enjoyed the confidence of Hickey, violated his pledges of friendship by telling Warner all that Hickey had told him concerning the Clayton murder. Hickey will attempt to prove an alibi, claiming that he was in Colorado at the time of the murder.

The preliminary examination is set for Wednesday at Morrilton.

A remarkable feature of the present status of the case is that the Sheriff who arrested Hickey and the lawyer, Charles Reed, who is to defend him, were both charged with the theft of the ballot box at Plumerville, out of which the same was taken in the Clayton murder, and that Oliver T. Bentley, the justice who will try him, was the man charged with the murder. Burkhardt and Warner will remain here until to-morrow, when the investigation will be made by Col. Clayton.

To-night Col. Clayton furnished a guard for Burkhardt, who was taken to a hotel, and thus saved him from spending the night in jail. Hickey is in jail at Morrilton, the county seat of Conway, the county in which the crime was committed.

LANDERS' ST. LOUIS CAREER.

THE CHAMPION LEG-BREAKER WELL KNOWN TO THE POLICE.

The one-legged law-breaker, who, under the alias of H. W. Burkhardt, is known to the police of at least a dozen cities and who furnished the information upon which Frank Landers, the champion leg-breaker, of St. Louis, has built a record for frauds perpetrated all over the country. The Joliet (Ill.) penitentiary has known him as an inmate for three or four years. Sending a forged telegram from Las Vegas to Kansas City, with the intention of defrauding a Kansas City bank out of a large sum of money, caused his removal to that institution. He tried to work the same game on F. W. Worth, Tex., and his break was a success. A brother leg-breaker, the C. C. F. R. H., in which he was beaten. A few years ago he turned over a check for \$1,000 to a friend in Missouri, the exact nature of which is not known here. He was detected and narrowly escaped being dynamited.

He is a man about 6 feet tall, with gray hair and a closely cropped gray mustache. His right leg has been cut off. He weighs 160 pounds. He wears a good suit of dark dress and lives well as a gentleman of leisure. On his left arm is tattooed the initials C. N. L., and a shield with a scorpion. On his left knee is a hole from which his fingers were destroyed by a felon. He is an expert telegraph operator and has a sister working in the munitions business in East St. Louis.

"Do I know Landers?" said Chief of Police Harrington, after a reporter's question. "I should say I did. He works one of the slickest schemes for making money easily and without working that I ever came across. He is a born scoundrel, but I am acquainted with quite a little of it, and I would not hang a dog on any unsupported testimony." He might be right, but he is a scoundrel, and he is such an excellent actor that he "invariably succeeds in fooling even the most expert detective." His right leg was broken.

He will lay for a time in some hospital and then sue the city for damages, demands compensation, and then contrives to get his support in this way. I know that a jury in Indianapolis, Ind., awarded him \$1,000, and Terre Haute, Ind., was given him \$1,000. He has got the monopoly of the programme by entering suits against railroad companies or other substantial corporations for a few cents apiece. In this case he quickly drops out of sight and departs to seek more lucrative pastures for the exercise of his peculiar talents.

"St. Louis was once on his list of prospective victims, but we proved too smart for him. Several years ago he was here, staying at the Hotel of the Salvation Army, through which he slipped and broke (F) his one leg as part programme. He was taken to the hospital, and he was successful, but I am acquainted with quite a little of it, and I would not hang a dog on any unsupported testimony." He might be right, but he is a scoundrel, and he is such an excellent actor that he "invariably succeeds in fooling even the most expert detective." His right leg was broken.

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## IN HIS HONOR.

Leipsic Offers a Site for the Monument to Bismarck.

Berliners Dread the Displeasure of the Emperor.

HENCE THE FUND RAISED FOR THE STATUE LIES IDLE.

A Newspaper's Sharp Criticism of the President of the Reichstag—Von Caprivi and Herr Miguel Not at War—Prospects of the Passage of the Army Bill—Guards Placed Along the Route the Kaiser's Will Pass Over in Goitz to Rome.

BERLIN, April 8.—Like everything connected with Bismarck, the celebration of his last birthday has stirred some bad blood in German politics. The *Leipsic Gazette*, in apparent disgust with the batters in Berlin who try to please the Emperor by slighting the ex-Chancellor, has let loose a torrent of scorn upon Herr Von Levetzow, President of the Reichstag, because he refuses to take steps toward applying to its proper uses the Bismarck monument fund under his supervision. This fund amounts to some 1,700,000 marks. Contributions to it were received immediately after Bismarck's fall and the understanding of the contributors was that the money was to be applied as soon as 1,000,000 marks had been collected. Naturally the site was expected to be Berlin. Since Bismarck began speaking his mind about the Emperor, however, the committee in charge of the fund, and most conspicuously Herr Von Levetzow, the Chairman, have been applied by fear that any step toward honoring Bismarck with a monument would offend the Emperor and have allowed the money to lie idle for two years after work should have begun. The *Leipsic Gazette* remarks ironically that perhaps Herr Von Levetzow was thinking about the fund, as a few weeks ago his lapses of memory had become so marked that he omitted to mention Bismarck as one of the few members of the North German Reichstag who had sat in the present House. "If Berlin feels ashamed to honor the greatest of modern Germans," adds the *Gazette*, "Leipsic will be only too happy to relieve her of the duty and to grant as a site for the Bismarck monument the finest spot within the city limits."

This article has been widely quoted and approved, and there is a loud demand that the Monument Committee either cease licking the Emperor's hand or get out of office. The monument is expected to be completed during Bismarck's life, and to fulfil this expectation it will be necessary for his admirers to select a site which will be a fitting prize for designs, as despite all reports to the contrary, the Prince's health is shattered so completely that his physicians believe he will not live long.

THE CELEBRATION KEPT UP. Prince Bismarck is keeping up his birthday celebration all the week following daily levees. The number of visitors to Friedrichsruh is now falling off. The Prince insists upon spending his evenings with the family in quietness, receiving his visitors in the day time. The terrible pro-cession in his honor has been postponed till April 11, which is the anniversary of the birth of Princess Bismarck.

The text of the Prince's speech delivered in reply to the congratulations of the Bohs students at the University of Bonn is as follows: "I am still a student, but I do not study. For this he was sorry, because he found later that he could not repair his neglected time. Still, he added, I would not have been horrified if my sons had committed suicide in the excess of studies. University life has its advantages in somewhat steeling the character by subjecting it to contact with the criticism of comrades. The sword knot with the University had become the backbone of the best German official life. The Prince, who had studied at the University when Count Herbert Bismarck was a student at Bonn, he had been suddenly called to take him home as he was ill. The Prince found that Herbert's illness was due to a wound he had received in a duel. In order to evade the law, Herbert had hurriedly left Bonn, where the duel had been fought with his wound unbandaged. He had washed it with foul water. The Prince did not moralize on dueling. He only advised the students that it would be better to be caught than to endanger their health.

STEAMSHIP COMPANY LOAN. The Hamburg-American steam packet company intends to issue preference shares to the amount of 7,000,000 marks with the object of purchasing additional cargo boats, with accommodation for steerage passengers. In view of the issue of the new Imperial and Prussian loans, the Berlin houses will withdraw from the projected Brazilian loan, which, in conjunction with which are now received in London only.

MEETING OF THE REICHSTAG. The Easter recess of Reichstag ends on Thursday next. Among the earliest questions to be agitated will be the admission of members like Althorff to the legislature. It will be difficult to find the air. It will change the dignified and honorable Chief Executive of the sovereign state of South Carolina into B. R. Tillman, the Governor of the state of South Carolina, and in his place of wine, liquors, beer and all kinds of intoxicating drinks and accidentally Governor of the State.

NOT BEFORE JANUARY.

Delays and Hitches in Making the Public Library Free.

The Public Library Board met in regular monthly session yesterday afternoon with President Whitehead in the chair and the following members present: Miss Bacon and Messrs. Blair, Carpenter, Merschberg, Moore, Rowse and Spaulding. Much time was spent discussing the process by which the library is to be made accessible to all the residents of St. Louis. It appeared evident that the desired end could not be reached before January at the earliest, and it was decided to issue an address to the public, stating that fact, bespeaking patience and asking a continued support of the library in its present basis until it shall be made entirely free.

It should be understood that the vote of last Tuesday does not necessarily affect the library. It provided for the establishment of a free library, but in order that the present library may serve as a basis of a new free public library, the School Board and the library members must be obtained. The School Board has clearly declared its willingness to make the transfer. The library members have agreed to the line members at the election in May.

The Free Library movement is in the hands of the Central Executive of the party, which will meet Tuesday afternoon to determine what steps must be taken to carry out the will of the people as expressed in the late election.

Caught a Piano Factory.

RICHMOND, Ind., April 8.—The Jesse French company of St. Louis paid to-day \$100,000 for one-half of the Star Piano works of this city.

## A TENDER SPOT

Postmaster-General Bissell Objects to Ax-Wielding Charges.

His Assistant, Mr. Maxwell, Is Making Fourth-Class Postmasters Slowly.

THERE WERE 5,000 VACANCIES MARCH 4 AND THERE ARE 4,500 NOW.

Removals of Republicans Whose Commissions Have Not Expired Few, and in Those Cases the Cause Was Not Political—A Comparison Between the Official Guillotine Workers of Two Administrations.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 8.—The Postmaster-General and the President are very much disturbed by the stories that have gone from here concerning the extent to which appointments and removals in fourth-class postoffices have been made. Very few more dishonorable attacks have been made upon an administration than this raid of civil service reformers. The people who have done this are misrepresenting the facts and attacking men who have acted with more careful regard to civil service law than their predecessors for several years. The difference between the methods employed by this Administration and those of the Harrison Administration are so marked that they should attract the attention of the most casual observer.

Mr. Bissell is one of the leading civil service reformers of Buffalo. He has devoted his time and energy to the cause and has expended his money in its behalf for as many years as the reform question has been agitated. He is just as determined and sincere a friend of Civil Service Reform to-day as he was when appointed Postmaster-General and he will continue to do so as he continues in office. He will live up to the principles conscientiously and completely.

Ladies' fencing contests have been given at the residence of Mrs. Willard, who is a friend of the Civil Service Reform. The ladies showed their skill with the rapier.

J. B. Jackson, Second Secretary of the American Legation, and Col. Siebert, who acted as umpires, awarded the first prize to Miss S. C. Ladd, a young woman of the American Legation in St. Petersburg, in this city, where his wife is ill. Doctors are in attendance upon her.

Frau Cosima Wagner was suddenly taken ill on Saturday last, and was examined outside Bayreuth. It was impossible to convey her home until the next day. After her arrival to Bayreuth she rapidly recovered. No alarm was felt.

TO PROTECT THE KAISER.

ROME, April 8.—The Swiss Government is making extraordinary efforts to protect the special train of Emperor William from dynamiters. At 10 o'clock this morning he was to pass through the country on the way to the silver wedding of King Humbert in Rome. More than a hundred detectives have been strung along the Emperor's route from border to border. Every foot of track over which the train will be drawn has been examined and special guards will be strung out all along the line for twelve hours before the train will be due. These precautions have been taken at the request of Emperor William and King Humbert in consequence of the recent rumors that Anarchists and Nihilists who swarm in Switzerland threatened that Emperor William should never reach Rome alive. Several bids have been made by the police to the North and South of the country of Zurich, Geneva and Berns this week in the hope of finding some clue to the origin of the rumors, but nothing whatever was ascertained and no arrests were made.

## UNDER STATE CONTROL

How the Liquor Traffic Will Be Conducted in South Carolina.

CHARLESTON, S. C., April 8.—For some time past strenuous efforts have been made by the Prohibitionists to pass some high license law, or a prohibitory measure. As long as the State remained under the control of the "straight-out" Democrats they were unable to secure the passage of this, their pet desire. But in 1890 a new regime came into power in the State which the Prohibition party had been patiently waiting. The new administration, headed by R. T. Tillman, the Governor, stepped eagerly into the opportunity presented by the new administration, and the conservative Democrats had refused to enact. After several failures a bill to regulate the sale of liquor (the law as it now stands) was introduced in the Senate. This bill purposed to put the sale of liquor under the control of the State and to have it supervised in each county by a board of commissioners. The bill had reached the Senate's committee on the 4th of January, but the bill had been fought with his wound unbanded. He had washed it with foul water. The Prince did not moralize on dueling. He only advised the students that it would be better to be caught than to endanger their health.

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It will create a monopoly on the part of the Free Liberal party, and that party, who live in the communities where postmasters had died or resigned should not be kept in office.

When the Administration came into office on the 10th of March there were 5,000 vacancies existing when he came in office, has made out of 5,000 fourth-class post-offices, but was turning out 4,500. John Wanamaker, with the assistance of Mr. Clarkson, made between March 10 and April 8, 1893, 1,228 post-offices. While Mr. Bissell has filled 600 vacancies, caused by resignation or death, and made only 50 removals, the Harrison administration has filled 1,000 vacancies, and appointed 1,000 new postmasters.

It is not true, however, that all the appointments have been made to the full truth of the facts, and the concealment of the rest, which so far as he is concerned there is nothing that he courts so much as complete publicity.

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Senator Voorhees' Resolution on the Employee's Privileges.

Interest in the Rulings of Judges Rice and Taft Renewed.

LENGTHY OPINIONS BY CONGRESSMEN OATES AND BYNUM.

Congressman Oates Holds that the Agitation Will Result in a Radical Revision of the Interstate Commerce Laws—Not Friendly to Ricks' Decision—Congressman Bynum Has no Doubt as to the Validity of the Injunction Against Chief Arthur.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 8.—Interest in the recent decisions of Judges Ricks and Taft in the Ann Arbor Railroad strike, in which it was held that the employees of common carriers may be punished for conspiracy to violate the Interstate commerce laws, has been greatly increased here by the introduction in the Senate of the following resolution, drafted by Senator Voorhees:

Whereas, the tenth section of the act of Congress, approved Feb. 4, 1867, known as the Interstate commerce act, contains the following enactment:

"If any common carrier or persons engaged in commerce may be punished for conspiracy to violate the Interstate commerce laws, he

shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$1000, or

or with any other corporation, company, person or

party, shall willfully do or cause to be done, or shall

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## ALBANY'S PUSH

Sends Lt.-Gov. Sheehan to See Cleveland About Patronage.

Senator Murphy Escorts the Emissary to the White House.

THE PRESIDENT RECEIVES THEM IN PUBLIC.

All Seems Amicable, but the Impression Is that the New Yorkers Were Disappointed—A Black Bag of Applications for Places Taken Back to Albany Unopened—Next Friday the Day Set for the Important Interview.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 8.—Lieut.-Gov. Sheehan returned to New York this afternoon without filing any applications for appointments. He called at the White House in company with Senator Murphy, but found the President disposed to enter into any extended conference with reference to New York appointments. Mr. Sheehan told Mr. Cleveland that the organization men were anxious to get an interview from him as to what the might expect in the way of patronage, and further that he had been commissioned to see him with that object in view. Mr. Cleveland listened in silence to Mr. Sheehan's remarks, then announced that as he had pressing business to transact before leaving on his trip to Wilmington, he would rather postpone the conference until next week.

After some discussion as to what day would be most convenient, Mr. Cleveland said that he would meet the Lieutenant-Governor and the Senator on Friday next. The whole conversation between the President and the two leaders did not last over five minutes, and it was carried on in the presence of fifty or more office-seekers who crowded around Mr. Cleveland's desk. Mr. Sheehan and Mr. Murphy reached the White House shortly after 10 o'clock and hurried up the stairs to the President's room.

Mr. Murphy professed to be confused by the windings of the stairway and remarked with a sly wink as he reached the top landing, "I wonder which way we go now."

The was said to startle the Lieutenant-Governor, who has not been to the White House before and who was a little bit nervous over the importance of his mission. Mr. Murphy knew the way and after he had enjoyed a laugh at the innocent Mr. Sheehan's discomfiture, he said as he seized his arm: "Oh, come along, you won't get lost; stick close to me, now."

The Lieutenant-Governor did "stick close" until they reached the lobby, where the office-seekers were crowded. When Mr. Sheehan was temporarily cut off from his escort the junior Senator abdicated his way through the mass of ambitious Democrats and finally reached the doorkeeper. He then called Sheehan, who had some difficulty in crowding through. The doorkeeper invited the two men into the cabinet-room and took their cards to the President. It was several minutes before an answer was received, and in the meantime, both men had settled into the swivel-chairs in which the Cabinet Ministers sit when discussing problems of State.

Mr. Sheehan was quite uneasy and kept continually tugging at his scariest pin. Mr. Murphy went through the necessary formalities to which Mr. Sheehan was to be introduced and he tried to cheer up the Lieutenant Governor by joking him about the way he would probably be received.

Mr. Sheehan did not relish these pleasant visits. Mr. Murphy, finding a great desire of enjoyment in his friend's difficulties, pictured to him how the President would be particularly agreeable at this time of year.

Mr. Sheehan was plainly annoyed by the other Senator's jokes and asked him to desist. Mr. Sheehan looked serious, while the Senator had great difficulty in keeping from laughing out loud. Mr. Sheehan swang around in his chair and surveyed the paintings of the Presidents on the walls—his face was wreathed in a smile. Both looked serious a moment later when Doorkeeper Loeser approached and announced that the President would receive them. As Loeser opened the door, the crowd pushed in behind the New Yorkers. The President was sitting behind his desk with his glasses on and examining some papers. As Mr. Murphy approached the President dropped his glasses and, after removing them, gazed at the two visitors with a very considerate expression.

Mr. Sheehan stepped up and said: "Good morning, Mr. President." Mr. Cleveland grasped his hand and replied, "Good morning, Mr. Sheehan."

The office-seekers crowded around and Mr. Sheehan was embarrassed, hastened for a moment and then told the President he had come over from Albany to ascertain if possible how the patronage in New York State is going to be distributed. He smiled when he said this, but was anxious, "and" Mr. Cleveland smiled, too.

Mr. Murphy said nothing but there was a sly twinkle in his blue eyes. There was a pause for a moment. Mr. Sheehan looked around the room, standing about the big white monument which may be seen from the White House window. Mr. Sheehan went on to say that he was quite interested in the appointments up in Erie County and that he was like a boy again.

Mr. Cleveland listened without comment. Mr. Sheehan stood at the side of the desk and Mr. Murphy leaned on the front edge. Occasionally the Lieutenant-Governor would shift his position, but Mr. Murphy was as motionless as a statue in the room. Mr. Sheehan spoke, without embarrassment and with a good deal of earnestness. After referring to his interest in Erie County matters he told the President that he was like a boy again.

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The President shook hands with Mr. Sheehan and Mr. Murphy and they passed out into the corridor through the room of Private Secretary. Mr. Murphy was smiling with a satisfied smile on his face but Mr. Sheehan was looking anything but pleased and was frowning. They hurried out and jumped into a cab. The cabman was ordered to drive to the Capitol. The order was given by the Lieutenant-Governor, and was given by the Senator. The cab rolled down Pennsylvania Avenue until Fourteenth street was reached, when the cabman was directed to drive to the Normandie Hotel.

The Senator was waiting in his apartments to receive the emissary from Mr. Murphy and Mr. Sheehan went at once to his rooms, and the three leaders were closed up in his room. Mr. Murphy, who was a close friend of Senator Sheehan, was the first to speak. "I am here to see you, Mr. President," he said. "I have been here to see you, Mr. President, and I will come on next week to see him."

"How about the black bag?" he asked.

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## THEY TOIL NOT

Familiar Figures Seen About Lobbies of Washington Hotels.

Men Who Float on the Edge of the Political Whirlpool,

AND MANAGE TO LIVE ALTHOUGH THEY NEVER WORK.

Some Fare Sumptuously at Times by Teaching Experience to the Newly Arrived Place-Hunter—Others Are Seedy and Bear-Eyed—Pen Pictures of a Few of the Class That May Be Seen Nowhere Outside the American Capital.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 8.—To the man who leads a busy life trying to earn his salary and to incidentally promote its increase, the sight of men who live without working is a source of constant delight and envy. It is not meant to include in this class either rich or tramps. The men referred to link the two extremes of loafersdom by a hand which laps over into each class at times. In certain examples this existence is as much a life as it is to be precarious, yet they manage somehow to present the appearance that enables them to pass current. Without visible means of support they hang on to life and many of its pleasures year after year. Here in Washington there are some well-known specimens of all these types. They are alike in one particular only. They tell not, neither do they spin anything but yarns. Most of them, in fact all but one or two, belong to the class of chronic and habitual office-seekers. They sit around the edge of the political whirlpool, hoping that something may drift within their clutches. Borrowing is their mainstay in most cases, and when to the new Congressman or fresh office-seeker who is beguiled by one of them, for he will have to buy his knowledge of their methods. They are weak, good clothes, shining silk hats, clean linen, drive in carriages and are invited to occasional dinners; others are seedy, pass and they walk; and some are ragged and bear-eyed, yet they live on and on while valuable men get the grip and die.

It is a hard matter to classify and arrange them in their proper places. An indefinite quality of sameness permeates the crowd, and yet each differs from the other. They are mainly picturesque and well worth the attention of the student of human nature. Among the characters who make their headquarters at the Arlington is a tall, erect man with a mustache and a pipe. His name is Wiggins. For many years he had the unique record of having never purchased a drink. This record, it is said, was destroyed by Congressman Morrison, who gave him \$5 and told him to treat his friends for once. He is a sturdy, good man of the old-fashioned kind. The correspondence from him and was attracted by his bearing as he stood at the ice-water cooler and remarked: "It's a good job, John."

It is related of him that he borrowed a quarter from a Congressman and treated him to a drink, but he can hardly be believed. Any office if properly presented to him, would be accepted.

Along with Wiggins at the Arlington is a good-looking man, a London agent and a man of means. He is frequently alluded to as "Shipley" by the irreverent habitués of the place. In Wiggins' case it is a good name, however, as he is now a writer in the hotel lobby with nothing but his past and a cigarette stand. He yearns to be chief of the secret service, but has not the time or the nerve to do it. He has been a few of his friends hearing he was ill got up a subscription for his relief. It was suggested that he should go to Europe, but he had enough to bury him decently in case he died. A large amount was subscribed and early next morning, it is related, Mr. Shipley came up to the collection box, appearing in a brand new outfit.

There was an old-time group of these men in Washington. They were used to be called "Willard's Judges," from the habit of assembling and deciding all political questions that came up. They knew how, relics of past times and parties. They were mostly Southerners with peculiar tastes as regards whiskers and they were judges of looks. Of course, they were judges of looks. Ned Brooks' reminder to this decade of what the "bench" was in its glories. Brooks is now a brilliant newspaper correspondent. He was also at one time Consul to Cork. He is a good judge of whisky, is often seen at the bar in a moderate price and does not smoke. Willard's. He is always smoking, few people have seen him unprovided with a cigar, yet he is a good judge of looks.

Ed Grapsey is another ex-correspondent who is one of the little band of incurables who are the backbone of the service. He has had, it is believed, that he will soon reappear. Old Judge Riley, who is now by some streak of humor in the soul of President Hayes, is also a member of the "bench." Venolia, was the little oracle of the "bench."

He was from the East, where he could take a drink with anybody who invited him, but his peculiar ideas of caste took effect the instant the drink found its resting place. If the drink was not strong enough, he would draw himself up and say: "Excuse me, sir, I drink with you, sir, but, understand, sir, our relations extend to the bar."

Another mystery is W. H. Roberts, a man with a distinguished face and a polished bearing and almost Dublin attire. He has had a checkered career. He is seen upon the streets, but rarely in the saloons. He is a direct descendant of another Washington type is Col. Richard Wintersmith, a Confederate of dash and brilliant achievements, a lawyer and a man with a rare fun-loving nature, dinners and a recognized man of wit. He has an air of distinction that impresses strangers and a smile that is a joy to all. He is seen in the saloons now than there are when both houses of Congress are in session. The only place he goes to is the bar, and when he does, he would draw himself up and say: "Excuse me, sir, I drink with you, sir, but, understand, sir, our relations extend to the bar."

He is seen in the bar, and one sees less of them. They are elderly men with few exceptions. Young men seem to lack the dash and the smile that is a joy to all. One's importance when there is a decided sense about one's 1872 hat and a shiny upon one's coat, and a man who understands human nature to steal the mind away from these trifles and fix it upon the intrinsic worth of the wearer. When the time comes, one is prepared to give with a feeling that he is alleviating the misfortune of a neglected genius.

## UNITED STATES GRAND-JURY.

Indictments Found Yesterday Afternoon  
—A Meeting on Monday.

The United States Grand Jury made a partial report yesterday afternoon. The case of Mahala Nedley, who was charged with the attempted killing of her husband, the Postmaster, was taken up. It is alleged that Miss Nedley opened letters addressed to her former lover to read. On the previous evening, when Miss Nedley had come having read a letter, but stated that it was open when received at the Post-office. Abe Gwynn, the Postmaster, who was ill, was sent for, and when he came, he was told that the letter was to be sent to the Postmaster, who was ill, and one of the men who were indicted for selling liquor without the payment of a special tax, John S. Gwynn, John Foley, Benjamin James, Jacob Moss, David M. McLean, Richard Pines, and John Stunzfeld. The cases against the last three were dismissed, and Wesley Sanford were ignored. The grand-jury will meet again on Monday.

SCIENTIFIC MIDWIVES' ASSOCIATION.—An entertainment and hop will be given at Central Turner Hall Hall on Saturday, April 15, to raise money for the Scientific Association of Midwives. The money derived from the sale of tickets will be used as a fund for the deserving girls.

## APRIL SPECIALS

At Barr's  
(St. Louis)

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A Grand Collection of Special Offerings Unequalled in the History of the Dry Goods Trade.

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IN CLOAK "SECTION."SPECIAL SALE  
IN  
ART GOODS SECTION.Manufacturers' Samples  
OF  
FINE ART,

Spring days, that make the lightest wrap burdensome, are bringing out the stylish Suits to be worn without them.

Wrought with the needle and consisting of hand embroidered Doilies, Center Pieces, 5 O'Clock Tea Cloths, Tray Cloths and Scarfs at less than import cost and one-third of their actual value. Hand embroidered Center Pieces, with open work borders, \$1; worth \$3.

Tie Cloths, beautifully embroidered in white silk, with dainty Dresden designs, price \$2; worth \$6.

Embroidered Doilies, in beautiful designs, 25c; worth 75c.

Dresser Scarfs, 2 yards long, with cut work borders, \$2; worth \$6.

Exquisitely beautiful and dainty are these masterpieces of the needlewoman's art, and all lovers of these pretty accessories of home adornment will hasten to avail themselves of this rare opportunity.

## NOTIONS.

Do you know why they are always busy in this section? Because the thousand and one little articles are those that you cannot do without.

A fine Gloria Silk Umbrella, paragon frame, fancy celluloid swing handles, or natural wood loops and bulbs, 25c; worth 50c.

For men with natural crook hands, silk gold or silver name plate, 25c; worth 50c.

Leontine's Patent Dress Stays, all lengths, 25c pair.

Feather Stitch Braid, white and colors, 15c and 25c apiece; regular price, 25c; worth 50c.

For men with natural crook hands, silk case and tassel, \$1.40.

At Barr's we give you the choice of a dozen different kinds of Cane Cloaks. Each will worth a good deal more than that. \$12 Jackets are marked \$7.50 and are correct in every way.

PARASOLS.  
UMBRELLAS.

Every desirable and elegant novelty in parasols will be found at Barr's as soon as they can be unpacked. They are now arriving daily. Handsome tight roll coaching parasols with Dresden handles, lace flounces, etc., all will be here and out. The serviceable umbrella, too.

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## MILLINERY "SECTION"

(Second Floor.)

We still glory in the superiority of our millinery. Did you see a specially stylish one in church Easter Sunday and not whisper to yourself, "Barr's?"

This week we offer 1,000 Elegant Trimmed Hats from \$5 to \$10.

The greatest variety of Flowers in St. Louis.

Every style of Sailor Hat that Dame Fashion has put her stamp upon is here.

You like art in any form see our quaint and elegant buckles that are the features of the season's millinery. New patterns in Close Hats, \$4 to \$10.

Children's Empress fast black 75c.

Children's Rib Cotton Hose, white foot and split foot. Barr's has this splendid stocking at a very low price.

Size—6 1/2 7 1/2 8 1/2 9 1/2

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## PRAIRIES ON FIRE.

Widespread Devastation Reported From  
Nebraska and Elsewhere.

THE FLAMES ASSISTED BY A TERRIBLE  
GALE OF WIND.

Farm Houses, Barns, Outbuildings, Hay  
and Grain Being Destroyed—Several  
Deaths by Burning Burmud—Forest  
Fires—Tenements Consumed—Resi-  
dence Burned—General Fire Record.

OMAHA, Neb., April 8.—Reports of prairie fires throughout Nebraska to-night show the flames still destroying farm property, dwellings and in some instances, life. At Harrisburg, a timbering, while the wind was blowing a perfect gale, prairie fire originated about two miles west and at present a destructive fire is raging throughout the central part of the county, varying in width from a half to three miles. A party left that place early in the morning to assist in fighting the flames, but as yet no definite reports have been received. The wind is blowing a terrible gale and although no reports of serious destruction have been received, it is feared that many farmers have been burned out and considerable loss of hay, grain and stock has been sustained. A Goring state driver, who had been driving his team to market, seen several houses in danger and people manfully fighting the fire which was burning with terrible rapidity. At Ogallala, prairie fire the past three days have late the country in all directions. High winds carried the fire with great speed, doing any efforts to check the fire utterly hopeless. Reports of casualties are coming in slowly. The Keystone ranch was destroyed, including all buildings, corrals, etc. High grass did not catch. At Gering a prairie fire swept over the country from Cozad to Elm Creek doing an immense amount of damage. Over 1,000 tons of hay were burned on the bottoms, besides several barns and houses. At Laramie, the worst prairie fire that was ever known, probably raged last night and to-day. There was an exceptionally heavy load of grass, the northwester made the fire uncontrollable. The loss of stock on the ranges is very heavy. At North Platte, H. L. Auter, a farmer, and his wife lost their lives in their home while fighting the flames.

IGNITED BY A SPARK.  
MIDDLEPORT, O., April 8.—The fire which broke out in a shed belonging to the Clifton Salt and Bromine Co. about noon yesterday spread with wonderful rapidity to adjoining buildings and caused the whole town of Clifton, W. Va., just across the river from Middleport, to burn. The value of the property is estimated at \$50,000 worth of valuable property is now in ashes.

The fire started from a spark alighting from the company's engine, and as a high wind was blowing against the flames, the whole town was soon a blazing mass, the flames leaping in a terrible fire, right through the heart of the town. Only about one-third of the property destroyed is insured, and many families are destitute and families left homeless. The Salt and Bromine Co. is the heaviest loser, their loss being estimated at \$25,000, with the rest of the property.

The company had just insured a large stock of goods, in all amounting to about \$45,000, and the insurance company to which it was insured, destroyed. This building was only partly insured. The fire companies and engines from this city were ferried across the river and were doing good service in fighting the flames. The post-office was also burned, together with a part of the records, all the stores in the town were destroyed, together with their contents.

RENTALS BURNED.  
CHICAGO, Ill., April 8.—Half a dozen families were rendered homeless by the destruction by fire this afternoon of the tenement houses at 84, 86 and 88 Ontario street. Many of the occupants of the houses were rescued by the firemen with great difficulty. Captain O'Farrell, who was in command, and his son, after being taken to the Alexian Brothers' Hospital. Two men sustained severe bruises by falling from a roof. The property will not exceed \$10,000.

RENTLESS BURNED.  
JACKSON, Miss., April 8.—The dwelling-house of William A. Hartley, a farmer living west of this town, was burned this morning together with its contents. The fire started from a defective wire while most of the family were yet in bed. The loss is about \$1,000.

RAILROAD FIRES IN DAKOTA.  
TANKESTON, S. D., April 8.—Reports are coming in from several localities of destructive prairie fires. Yesterday sparks from a locomotive fired the grass a few miles above and destroyed farm property valued at \$20,000.

Sparks from a Burlington locomotive at Rock Springs caused a fire which is now racing over a territory of twelve miles' expanse. The flames have reached the timber country and are heading for a number of fine mines.

No man admits the fine.  
ONE OF THE LAST OFFICIAL ACTS OF MAYOR NOONAN WAS performed yesterday, through the medium of the "O. K. Jim" or "stamp act," by which a \$50 fine imposed by Judge Morris in the First District Police Court against a man found guilty of keeping a disreputable house was collected by F. C. O'Brien, proprietor of the "Favorita Hotel," at 402 North Fourth street. It was the person fined. It was collected with the same alacrity as the hours. Acting City Attorney O'Brien showed by witness that men and women met at the place for improper purposes. Goodman on the defense legal team, "I am not his wife" that he was not responsible. Judge Morris thought otherwise, however, and fined \$50. Goodman promptly paid his fine and left the court-room. Before the court adjourned, however, a runner was back at the defense table with the bill, and the familiar rubber stamp signature and the money was accordingly refunded.

His Relatives Beat Him.  
Several weeks ago Jette Siegel of 110 North Eleventh street wore out a warrant for the arrest of her husband on a charge of wife beating. The husband, a man of the state, sent her a message promising that he would give her some money if she would call at his brother's house. In response to this message, she claims, she went to the address and was given a sharp rebuke by her husband's brother and sister set upon her and administered a brutal thrashing. Warrants for assault and battery were granted against both yesterday.

Wants His Relatives Notified.

M. E. Hall, who is dying of consumption at the corner of Elkhorn and Avenue and Old Manchester road, wishes his son or sister notified. The son, Halden Hall, lives in Indianapolis and his sister, Minnie Vina, lives in Cincinnati. Mr. Hall is a contractor and manufacturer of iron and steel. His relatives do not know how near he is to death's door.

No Certificate for Hall.

City Register, White, is sworn in at the meeting of the House of Delegates yesterday, elected except John Hall of the Twenty-sixth Ward, to whom Recorder Carlisle will not issue a certificate until the legal complications in the matter are settled. The Democratic judges in one precinct would not sign the returns for him, and the other precincts, he says, are in a deadlock. Recorder Carlisle says he thinks Hall was found guilty and sentenced to six months in jail.

## A GOVERNOR ASSAILED.

Senators Move the Impeachment of Minnesota's Executive.

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 8.—The proceedings of the two Houses of the Minnesota Legislature were little short of riotous to-day. There were numerous charges of corruption and the language used at times was disgraceful. Almost as soon as the session was finished in the Senate a move was made to secure the impeachment of Gov. Nelson.

What is known as the Governor's elevator bill passed the House late last evening and the Governor immediately signed it, at the same time signing the bill for a new State capitol. The charge was made yesterday and repeated this morning that the Governor used the Capitol bill as a club to get through this elevator bill.

Senator Leavitt started the bill rolling by moving an investigation of the Governor's haste in signing the elevator bill. He created a sensation by charging that the bill had not even gone to the Enrolling Committee, Graft, Chairman of that committee, being his home in Williamson.

Senator McElroy and Senator Howe seconded the motion for an investigation in impassioned speeches in which they said unworthy influences had been brought to bear to force the bill through the House.

Senator Howe said the Governor had forced certain members to vote for the bill upon the threat that he would veto the capitol bill, and he hoped impeachment proceedings would be begun at the earliest possible moment.

Senator Leavitt's motion to investigate was, however, lost by a vote of 26 to 8.

The House also got into a row of pretentious proportions, with boos as the central figure. This fight lasted an hour and was precipitated by the action of the less responsible Wyman log scaling bill. The charge was that several members had been offered from \$1,000 to \$5,000 to vote against the Wyman log scaling bill. After amendments had been adopted, including the anti-cigarette bill, the bill requiring that Chinamen in Minnesota shall wear their shirts inside their pants. A blocked log scaling bill and the action of a United States Senator on a resolution to investigate the charges that several members had been offered from \$1,000 to \$5,000 to vote against the Wyman log scaling bill. After amendments had been adopted, including the anti-cigarette bill, the bill requiring that Chinamen in Minnesota shall wear their shirts inside their pants. 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## FROM "PEN" TO PEN.

Dr. T. Thatcher Graves in the Columns of the Colorado Magazine.

THE VALUE OF A SEASON OF REPOSE IN THE MOUNTAINS.

The Man With a History and a Lachrymose Regret—A Charming Apostrophe and Declaration of Intent—Please View the Author and Her Cheerful Home.

Colorado is a great State, great in nature, great in its rarefied air, great in precious metals and minerals. Denver, great in hotel charges, great in climate, great in boodle politics and great in such Senatorial timber as the Hon. Mr. Tabor, of the 1000-night-shirt name. That it never has been great in literature is the fault of its youth, and is not indication of the future. Indeed, it is too much to expect that a State not yet 17 years of age shall turn out poets and essayists and novel-writers to compete with the trained thought of communities with an existence of centuries. But Colorado is nothing if not ambitious. On the great seal of the State is this inscription: "Nil sine nomine," which may be freely translated, "What is life without a dazzling reputation? Nothing. And Colorado—whose party is mainly composed of old campers, with great lungs and bunches of bronchitis—has felt the spur of literary longings. Accordingly, on the first of April, of the current year, it threw off its dependence on the East, the yoke of literary slavery, and presented to the world the Colorado *Mazeis*, announcing that it appealed to an "exceptionally intelligent class of readers" and promising contributions from the best talent that the pure air of the Rocky Mountains can breed. That a most brilliant start has been accomplished is not to be disputed. With which simple tribute to a general effect it is pleasant to introduce to Eastern readers the leading and widely advertised article, "Pen Pictures," by Dr. T. Thatcher Graves.

A word about the author. Light and literary readers will be glad to learn that Mrs. Graves, a widow for a year or two now, Mrs. Barnaby, a wealthy Providence widow, died suddenly in Denver. It was discovered at the inquest that she had partaken freely of poisoned whisky sent to her by a "son." During a little subsequent litigation it leaked out that the friend was in all probability Dr. Graves, who before he became a doctor was a boy of 16, and who, it will be seen, this hypothesis was considered the more reasonable it seemed, so to make a long story short, it was decided that the best solution of the vexed problem was to hang the doctor and to regularize the situation by a trial of the wife of Dr. Canon City to await a certain fixed time, but just before he was to make his exit the Supreme Court announced that it had some doubt and would give him the benefit of them. Then the doctor applied for an outing in the country, and, after a long and laborious securing it, was back to Denver. As he had plenty of time, not to say means, he just naturally drifted into literature, and consented to give the *Colorado Magazine* its first burst into fame. For it will be seen that a convict woman poisoner would be a guarantee of literary excellence not to be ignored in the district run mountain time.

It occurred to Dr. Graves that he would do well to write a pen picture, and, as perfectly familiar with the "Pen Pictures," Anything from the doctor's pen would be necessarily a pen picture, and it is not immediately grasped that he used the word pen as an abbreviation of penitentiary, a happy coincidence with the fact that a doctor is a pen and easy way of life. As the doctor deliciously explains that any man is likely to go to the penitentiary, all men must be more or less interested in its particular penitentiary, and, as the author has set forth following, of course, for his own exuberance and domesticated feelings.

"From whatever direction," it begins, "the doctor is always arriving at Canon City, he is sure to be pleased with its location and surroundings." This is an opinion of the author, but to continue: "Canon City is one of the most beautiful and attractive places in the Western world. Having summered in it, I can recommend it as a perfect climate, as possessing a perfect climate, one best suited to thousands of people at the time it may be most healthful, when the doctor went to Canon City, he did not expect to live a year; now he is in perfect health. No wonder he is enthusiastic about the place, and, as he is the author of the *East* will share his enthusiasm or be tempted to take his advice in a matter of grave conjecture. My theory is that he has been so far as has proved to me that truth is stranger than fiction; and some day, God willing, I hope to present these stories to the public, and, as the author of the "Pen Pictures," will easily furnish the "Pen Pictures."

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# POST-DISPATCH

ST. LOUIS, SUNDAY MORNING.

## The Sunday Post-Dispatch

Contest for Readers  
and Want Advertisers

My answer is, that the verse referred to is \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter, \_\_\_\_\_ Verse of \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Address, \_\_\_\_\_

Leave this verse on coupon when you send it in.

as \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

A Prophecy from Paul's Epistle to the Romans.

The verse is found in the Bible published by the American Bible Society.

What Chapter and Verse Is This? Each Dash Represents a Word.

## SEVENTY PRIZES

**Notice.** On account of a large number of complaints from out-of-town subscribers, on the ground that their answers are received too late for the contest, it has been decided to divide the list of prizes into two classes—city and country. The mail will be kept separate as received, and the following lists of prizes awarded. The country readers' contest will not close until 10 a. m. Thursday. The city contest closes, as usual, Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. East St. Louis and Belleville are considered city, as well as immediate suburbs of St. Louis.

### Forty City Prizes.

To the correct answers, in order examined, the following prizes will be given:

1st Prize—TRIP FOR ONE TO WORLD'S FAIR, via Wabash, with hotel bill paid for two days.  
2d Prize—GOLD-FILLED WATCH.  
3d Prize—COIN SILVER WATCH.  
[On exhibition in window of Hess & Culbertson, Jewelers, 217 North Sixth street.]  
4th Prize—AN ANTIQUE ORNATE SAWED OAK SIDEBOARD, brass trimmings, large beveled mirror. [On exhibition in window of Scarritt Furniture Co., 414 North Fourth st.]  
5th Prize—TWO PICTURES, worth \$7.50 (framed).  
6th Prize—TWO PICTURES, worth \$2.50 (framed).  
[On exhibition in art store of Geo. F. Heffernan, 1010 Olive.]  
7th Prize—A GENT'S HAT.  
8th Prize—A GENT'S HAT.  
[From Geo. Diel & Bro., 625 Olive st. and 1231 to 1235 Franklin ave.]  
9th Prize—Ten prizes of two tickets each to OLYMPIC THEATER, good for engagement of BRONSON HOWARD'S Great Comedy-Drama, ARISTOCRACY, at Olympic all week.  
18th Prize—Twenty-two PRIZES.  
40th Prize—Twenty-two PRIZES.

### Prizes for Country Readers.

1st Prize—TRIP FOR TWO TO WORLD'S FAIR, via Wabash, with hotel bills paid for two days.  
2d Prize—GOLD-FILLED WATCH.  
3d Prize—COIN SILVER WATCH.  
[On exhibition in the window of Hess & Culbertson Jewelers, 217 North Sixth street.]  
4th Prize—A "BUCK'S" BRILLIANT COOKING STOVE. [This prize is the highest-priced Cooking Stove made by the Buck's Stove and Range Co. It is a beauty.]  
5th PRIZE—BANQUET LAMP, 40 inches high, finished in antique brass, with beautiful shade. [On exhibition in window of Siegel Gas Fixture Co., 217 and 219 N. Broadway.]  
6th Prize—THREE PICTURES, worth \$10.  
7th Prize—TWO PICTURES, worth \$5.  
[Pictures on exhibition at the art store of Geo. F. Heffernan, 1010 Olive st.]  
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[From Geo. Diel & Bro., 625 Olive street and 1231 to 1235 Franklin avenue.]  
10th Prize—Each a beautiful SATIN PANEL CHARACTER SKETCH, set in embossed and gilded card frame, size 12x20.  
19th Prize—Eleven very pretty prizes, each an EMBOSSED PICTURE, 12x20; Landscape Scenes, set in frosted and gilded card frame.  
20th Prize—URE, 12x20; Landscape Scenes, set in frosted and gilded card frame.

The Post-Dispatch has made arrangements with Mr. Cliff P. Kennedy, of the World's Fair Hotel and Boarding Bureau, Room 3, 523 Chestnut, to take care of winners of World's Fair trips in to-day's contest at the Manhattan, a high-class suburban hotel, near the Fair Grounds.

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THE MAUSS INQUIST.

A Missing Witness Causes the Coronor to Again Postpone It.

New York, April 8.—There are few engagements which so disastrously as did that of Mr. Solomon Gasterfeld to Miss Sophie Bundt, in the Harlem Police Court this morning, when the was-to-be-bridegroom was locked up under \$1,000 bond to answer a charge made by his fiancée, who declares that he is guilty of the larceny of her engagement ring. The prisoner's companion in trouble is his son-in-law, Abram Elmer, Solomon Gasterfeld, the principal in the affair, is a well-to-do young tailor. Four months ago he met Sophie Bundt, the daughter of Abram Springermeier of 1820 Montgomery street. Springermeier is Abram's landlord and the man to whom Mauss gave the key of his apartment. On the 11th of March he was visiting his family. Springermeier was personally summoned, and failing to appear, Coronor Frank at 5 p. m. yesterday, having been continued since Thursday, but was again continued until noon to-day. The cause of the second delay was the absence of a witness. Nothing has yet been heard from the woman's husband, Wm. Mauss, who declared that he was to be present at the trial. A few hours before she was taken sick at 3500 Chouteau avenue, where she has been ever since, she was taken to the hospital. The young tailor at once fell in love with her. She reciprocated his affection, and the marriage was arranged. The engagement was announced. Everything moved happily, the defendant said, until the girl's brother began to interest himself in the matter. Gasterfeld, who has his prospective bride a diamond ring valued at \$50. His friends advised that Abram Bundt would not be satisfied with \$1,000, without the necessary incrimination of a brother-in-law, so persuaded his sister to give Solomon a sealed letter. The letter was opened by the coroner's office last Sunday afternoon. Miss Bundt declares, in the affidavit made by her, that she was unconscious when Gasterfeld and his brother-in-law, that the men gave her a drugged drink which made her unconscious and then drew the ring from her finger and fled.

INSTANT on getting Dr. ENNO SANGER'S Self-remedy for Gout, which is pure and wholly some. It improves the flavor of your liquor, while the cheap stuff some dealers try to pass on you spoils your drink.

You need not be afraid of the twinge of rheumatism when you have Salvation Oil.

## WORLD'S FAIR GIFTS

Fifty Trips Free in Next Sunday's Contest.

## SEVENTY VALUABLE PRIZES THIS SUNDAY.

A Grand Time Will Be Had on the Post-Dispatch Special Which Will Make the Trip Over the Wabash—"Aristocracy" at the Olympic—Timely Prizes From Diel's.

"How in the world can the Post-Dispatch make such magnificent presents?" said a lady's query last week. She might well be surprised. Seventy prizes of value were given to the first correct answers examined, and the total of over \$1,000 in value, public in the Post-Dispatch on Thursday, April 16. But grand as was the list given as reward for guessing correctly on the Easter Sunday text of Scripture, it must yield to the list of 100 prizes offered for Sunday's contest of April 16. The answers last week were promptly forwarded and examined with great care. The first seventy correct answers examined were the winners, and the work of assigning the prizes prosecuted with vigor until completed. Immediately preparations were made for the next Sunday's issue and a more severe labor imposed on the division having charge of this department of the paper.

Our readers who participate in these daily contests should remember that one list consists between our city subscribers and those from the country. The mail of city and country subscribers will be kept separate as received. This is because our country subscribers have complained that they could not get their mail into our hands in time to properly compete with our city list, the count closed formerly on Wednesday. The city contest will close as usual on Wednesday at 10 a. m. Country contestants have until 10 a. m. of Thursday before the lists will be closed against them. East St. Louis and Belleville, besides other immediate suburbs of St. Louis, are classed with the city lists. Contestants may send in as many answers as they like.

A great deal of interest seems to be centered on the World's Fair trips, especially as the time for the opening of this grandest of all the world's great exhibitions approaches. Consider that of the treasured archives of the Post-Dispatch, the most valuable of the observer. Treasures of art which have attracted the visitor thousands of miles for centuries will be brought for inspection at the fair. One can almost imagine that some bright young lad or lassie of the enclosure would transport to pose the list all that one could hope to see. Added to the interest that insensibly clings to ancient curios, antique paintings and sculpture, and manuscripts laborious traced in the dim light of men old abler where the known monk told. One preserves for posterity those jewels of thought which fathered our civilization, there will be a stronger, healthier, more robust interest centering in the arts and sciences. Every nation will be represented in the golden age of science; every device for ease in this golden age of comfort will be exhibited at the World's Fair. Every nation will compete with every nation of earth and challenge the world to excel in those arts and sciences which minister to the happiness of mankind. Here will come the exponents of all religious creeds, and, divesting themselves of prejudices, try to formulate a union of Christians, Greeks, Mohammedans, Hindus, and the scholars, the machines and the mechanics, the arts and the artists, to bless and gladden the eyes and ears of humanity. In a word, each visitor may imagine himself in a star cast, including such prominent volume in this greatest of literary eras; every scientific production in this the golden age for science; every device for ease in this the golden age of comfort will be exhibited at the World's Fair. Every nation will compete with every nation of earth and challenge the world to excel in those arts and sciences which minister to the happiness of mankind. Here will come the exponents of all religious creeds, and, divesting themselves of prejudices, try to formulate a union of Christians, Greeks, Mohammedans, Hindus, and the scholars, the machines and the mechanics, the arts and the artists, to bless and gladden the eyes and ears of humanity. In a word, each visitor may imagine himself in a star cast, including such prominent

What happiness will be enhanced if there is a consciousness that we have won these sights and scenes for ourselves by our participation in the contest—the production of a text to be found in the World's Fair. Such opportunities will not last very long in the natural order of things, hence the more reason to try, so long as the opportunity is open. Who is to say that the best will not win in the next contest?

The coupon in to-day's contest will be found on page 19 of the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

Contestants can send in as many answers as they like.

Those who record their answers on the coupon will be given the best chance to be the winners.

The guide for Sunday, April 9, is as follows:

as \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

The above is a prophecy from Paul's Epistle to the Romans. What chapter and verse is it?

The prizes offered for the solution of the above are as follows:

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## Cash.

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## Straus-Emerich Outfitting Co.

A visit to our MAMMOTH STORES will convince you we keep in stock goods for all classes, all nationalities, and sell them at prices all can buy. We amply demonstrate to the buying public that we positively have the LOWEST PRICES. We are on the threshold of a great season, sure of a full store and busy times, but that isn't enough. We go for a still higher notch in business. We will make a determined effort to double last season's sales, to turn everybody's steps toward Straus-Emerich's for the BIGGEST VALUES EVER GIVEN.

## Here Is a Starter for the Season.

### An Elegant Parlor Suit,

6 pcs, upholstered in Plush or Tapestry \$21.00

### An Antique or XVI. Century Combination Folding Bed,

\$11.15

100 Rolls Brussels Carpets, . . . . . 45c

100 Rolls Ingrain Carpets, . . . . . 18c

250 Rolls Mattings, . . . . . 9 1-2c

### Bedroom Suits.

No. 1, \$10.00 . . . . . Regular Price, \$16.00

No. 2, \$15.00 . . . . . Regular Price, \$26.00

No. 3, \$22.50 . . . . . Regular Price, \$40.00

Solid Oak Refrigerator, . . . . . \$4.75

A Beautiful Baby Carriage, . . . . . \$2.75

10 pcs English Decorated Toilet Set, . . . . . \$1.85

56 pcs English Decorated Tea Set, . . . . . \$2.65

## STRAUS-EMERICH

Outfitting Company,

1117, 1119, 1121, 1123 and 1125 OLIVE STREET.

will always have the largest circulation.

C. M. MAGNIN, 6701 Garner avenue.

PERSEVERANCE REWARDED.

ST. LOUIS, April 16.

To the Post-Dispatch:

Please accept my thanks for the gents' fine hat awarded me in the Sunday contest. It was quite a surprise, as I had sent in three entries, and I had no idea of winning anything, but I was determined not to give up, and I shall continue to search the scripture.

LULU MURPHY, 840 Lasalle street.

A. F. MCENEEWEN.

WILL GO TO THE FAIR.

ST. LOUIS, April 16, 1893.

To the Post-Dispatch:

Yours of the 6th inst., notifying me of my winning prize No. 1. Please accept my gratitude. I will take advantage of the opportunity to kindly give me of attending the World's Fair. Very respectfully,

WILLIAM J. VETTER.

LADIES' SHOES FOR A BACHELOR.

MARISSA, Ill., April 7, 1893.

To the Post-Dispatch:

Yours of the 6th inst., at hand and am pleased to know that I am "a winner." Ladies' shoes are not articles of general utility to me, but I am sure that you will find them of great interest to many.

JOHN O'BRIEN.

Twenty-eight and Franklin street.

To the Post-Dispatch:

I am the happy recipient of your order for the first prize in last Sunday's contest, and I thank you for your kind words of commendation. I am sending you my thanks for your kind words of commendation. I am sending you my thanks for your kind words of commendation.

Yours respectfully yours,

JULIA E. TURNER,

285 Meramec street.

FROM MONTGOMERY STREET.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 2.

To the Post-Dispatch:

I am very much to see that you are the winner of the prize won in last Sunday's contest for two trips to the World's Fair from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. I am sending you my thanks for your kind words



## RUBEN AND CESAR

Were the Winners of East Side Handicaps.

HEAD FINISHERS WERE THE ORDER IN THESE EVENTS.

An Afternoon of Exciting Sport Across the River—The Day at Guttenburg Results Elsewhere—Elizabeth's Coming Meeting—Sennings—Racing News—Blue Grass Gossip—Racing News.

The racing at the course across the river yesterday was the best seen in many races. Some were good ones and others just the opposite. Nevertheless both good and poor ones ran well and the finishes in the majority of the events were very close. Combined with the excellent finishes was the satisfaction experienced by the bettors, that they had received a good run for the money they had wagered on their selections. This knowledge, of course, tended to allay any hard feelings that were felt over the departure of their coins. Two favorites, one well played second choice, and a pair of outsiders, at 5 to 1, were successful, and on the whole the public came out slightly on top. The weather was cool and fit, and looked as if a runner would occur in the afternoon, but this did not occur, however, and the track was left in a lightning fast condition.

The windups in the last three races were of the most thrilling order. German, by superior riding, just did manage to win with Knickerbocker by a head from Venture. He also outdrove Davis, who was astride Gov. Ross in the closing event, and landed Cesar successful by the same distance. Ruben and that favorite, Jennie Harding, had a rattling struggle for the fourth race, and the former, assisted by good riding on the part of his jockey McCormick, just did nose out Gen. Harding's daughter. Ed Gartland, first choice at 5 to 1, won the first race from second choice, Sam Farmer, second, John, at another favorite at 5 to 5, captured the second. German, who was an equal favorite with Edgar, ran unplaced. Knickerbocker, at 5 to 1, defeated the favorite, Venture, in the third race, and Ruben, at the same price, bowed over Jessie Harding, the public's choice, in the succeeding event. The closing race was captured by Cesar, a strong second choice, at 2 to 1. Gen. Ross, an outsider at 6 to 1, ran him to a head finish.

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First race, half-mile—John Dunn, first; Lady Jim, first; Foley, third. Time, 1:55.

Second race, one-quarter mile—Sir Walter, first; John Dunn, second; Bob Tolson, third. Time, 1:20.

Third race, one-eighth of a mile—Stratagem, first; Gildford, second; Ma Beesing, third. Time, 1:05.

Fourth race, seven-eighths of a mile—Agonia, first; Rose Terry, second; Rockery, third. Time, 1:32.

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Seven of the nine named to start in the competition were all winners, all the others, 4-year-olds and upward, at eleven-sixteenths of a mile, accepted the issue. Venture was in front and made the running until near the end of the stretch, when Knickerbocker, who had him, a driving dash, just managed to overtake him in the stretch, lapped. In the stretch, Edgar Johnson took command and won with length or two to spare. He beat Strathmore out by one-half a length for the place.

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Second race, four and a half furlongs—Robin Hood, first; Eddie Johnson, second; Eddie Johnson, third. Time, 1:25.

Third race, six-eighths of a mile—Silence, first; Sister Ione, second; Arizona, third. Time, 1:05.

Fourth race, one-eighth of a mile—Kingmaker, first; Bellarosa, second; Kingmaker, third. Time, 1:34.

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## REAL ESTATE INTERESTS.

ROBERT BROOKINGS BUYS KENNEDY CASTLE FOR A SUMMER HOME.

A feudal castle on a bluff 500 feet high sold for \$20,000—What the Building Originally Cost—Agents' Reports—Notes and Gossip.

The most interesting deal of the week was the purchase of Kennedy's Castle with its 500 acres of fertile farming land and its heavily timbered stretches by Robert Brookings. Mr. Brookings, who is known as one of the most enterprising of St. Louis business men, bought this elegant property for a summer home for his family and he proposes to go and come from it by means of a private steam yacht. The deal was made through the agency of Moffett & Franciscus, who have been agents for Mrs. Brent, the owner of the property and a daughter of old Capt. Kennedy, the builder of the architectural pile. The castle is a romantic place, built in the medieval style with battlements that frown on passing steamers, and so well situated that there is not a chance in the castle to day though it is almost half a century old. The bluff on which the castle is located is 500 feet high, and is one of the highest points along the river. It is 100 feet above the water, from John S. King to August Ahrens. House and lot No. 8140 Portis avenue, between Klemm and Thurman boulevards, for \$2,000, to Fisher & Co. to L. Lucas.

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Also two lots in Oakland place, each 50x150 feet, on the south side of the street, from the Nichols-Kitter Realty Co. to W. Atwood and F. C. Atwood, for \$75 per front foot, or \$7,500.

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## THE PASSING SHOW

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A FINE PROGRAMME PRESENTED FOR THE WEEK.

"Aristocracy" at the Olympia—"My Official Wife" at the Grand-Hall and Hart at the Hagan—Mrs. Kendall at Pops—W. W. Walker's Benefit Concert.

Bronson Howard's new comedy-drama, "Aristocracy," which ran for four months at the Standard Theatre, New York, and has just concluded a brilliant six-weeks' engagement in Chicago, will come to St. Louis, opening at the Olympic Theater Monday night.

Any new work from the pen of Bronson Howard, always receives respectful consideration from press and public. He occupies the position of one of the foremost playwrights in America, and his "Banker's Daughter," "Young Mrs. Winthrop," "The Henrietta" and "Shenandoah," have, it is said, been excelled in the way of fine writing in "Aristocracy."

The play of "Aristocracy" deals with social life and tells the story of a California family suddenly grown rich and desiring a society position. The adventures of Jefferson Stockton, a rich and aristocratic young-made man of San Francisco, desiring to buy his wife and child social recognition in the highest circles, and setting out to do it as he would to buy any other purchasable commodity, furnish the incidents for the stage presentation.

While in America Stockton's daughter has become engaged to the eldest son of a Kleckerbocker family of wealth and great social prestige. The mother of the young man objects to the match, and when the girl is in London she manages to bring about a misunderstanding between the young people and the match is broken off. Virginia Stockton, a warm-hearted girl, but rash and impulsive, hears that her former lover, Staynes, has come to America, and, after a brief visit in New York, and under the sting of disappointment, accepts an offer of marriage made to her by Prince Emil von Haldenwaid, a rascal of the first water, who has already been dismissed from the house by her father. The Prince has acquired the polish of the best society of Vienna and Paris, but it is equalled by his viciousness. His family standing is without question, but he is utterly worthless. Not only does the Prince begin at once to neglect his young wife, but he exerts an unwholesome influence on the wife of Jefferson Stockton, Virginia's stepmother. When the family return to New York the Prince brings matters to a climax by forcing Mrs. Stockton to appeal to her husband for protection. She is a weak woman and unable to seek such a shelter, and who has borne leading comedy parts in all the Chicago Opera-house extravaganzas and new pieces, was here that Mollie Fuller first presented the Serpentine dance about a year ago and with the same success. Johnnie, the Johnnie of the Opera, has several new songs and Al Wilson, the German comedian who made such a hit here during the last engagement, will bring out a new set of songs and it is felt that it might be expected that "The Idea," as it now stands, is a farcical gem of remarkable polish, sparkle and value. To bring forward a farce comedy of this kind in its present form in one season into a conspicuous success is no small credit. This seems to be about the limit of the new piece, but here that Mollie Fuller with "The Idea," it is a variation of the old rule, there is always room for the best. There is just enough story to crush the frothy life and taste of a good comedy. Among the novelties, and the most interesting, is the famous "Tristan and Isolde"—Isolde's Lament and Death—written by Quinet from the "Eva." Miss Fabris, Miss Maguire, Miss Moore, Mr. Towne, David, Hans and others. Intermission of ten minutes.

"The Ring of the Nibelungen," Act III.

"Parisifl," "Fairy Girl scene of the Valkyries.

"Faust," "Witches' dance of the Valkyries.

"Parisifl," "Fairy Girl scene of the Valkyries.

First group—Misses Amanda Fabris, Gertrude, Eva, and others. Second group—Miss Flora M. Hartlieb, Miss Elizabeth Northrop and Miss Mae Maurer. Third group—Misses Anna Fields, Miss Osborne, Sarah Davis, Anna Fields, Minnie Williams, Cyprianne, M. C. Towne and Parfait and orchestra.

On Monday, April 17, Mr. Paul Fries, the popular star of the Hagan Opera-house, will be here. The Hagan Opera-house will doubtless crowd the house, as he has rendered himself universally popular. The attraction will be "Mr. Potter of Texas."

W. W. KENDALL AT POPS.

The well-known comedian, Mrs. Kendall, will be the attraction at Pops's this week, commencing matinées to-day, in his popular musical comedy, "A Pair of Kids," now in its eighth season of success. As both author and actor, Mr. Kendall combines the happy faculty of knowing what will please and how to give it.

His character of the old countryman, Jiles Button, is a creation as amusing as it is thoroughly original. The play is full of good songs and dances, and the musical specialties by a company of well-selected artists.

The funniest of little comedians, Arthur Dunn, whose amateur Old Folks' Home, in London, the Society made it a point not only to present the very best music in their programmes, but also to get the best artists obtainable for its most perfect rendition.

Many people who missed the musical treat which was given at the St. Louis public school, will now have a good opportunity to hear the prima donna, who will have two or three numbers in the programme, besides encores. The remainder of the programme will be request. Ballet music by Silcock, a symphonic town, La Philharmonic and Beethoven's immortal eighth symphony.

THE CHORAL SYMPHONY SOCIETY.

The engagement of Miss Lillian Nordica, the great dramatic soprano, for the next matinée, April 18, at the Olympia, Second Street, will introduce his amusing specialties. The cast includes the popular young danseuse, Carlotta, Johnnie, the Johnnie of the Opera, and the character specialties, Kate Quinton, late of Hoyt's companies, Miss Jessie Hartman in German songs, and the famous vocalists and specialists.

The musical features are all new and catchy, including Mr. Kendall's amazing parodies on the popular songs of the day.

RILEY & WOOD AT THE STANDARD.

Riley & Wood's big show opens a week's engagement to-day at the Standard. There are now many leading European and American stars in the organization. Among them the famous brothers Borani, also known as the disappearing demons. Vivacious Vita, a famous trans-Atlantic artiste, Lilly Laurel, a popular song and dance, Sparrow, the fat, famous comedian, and the King.

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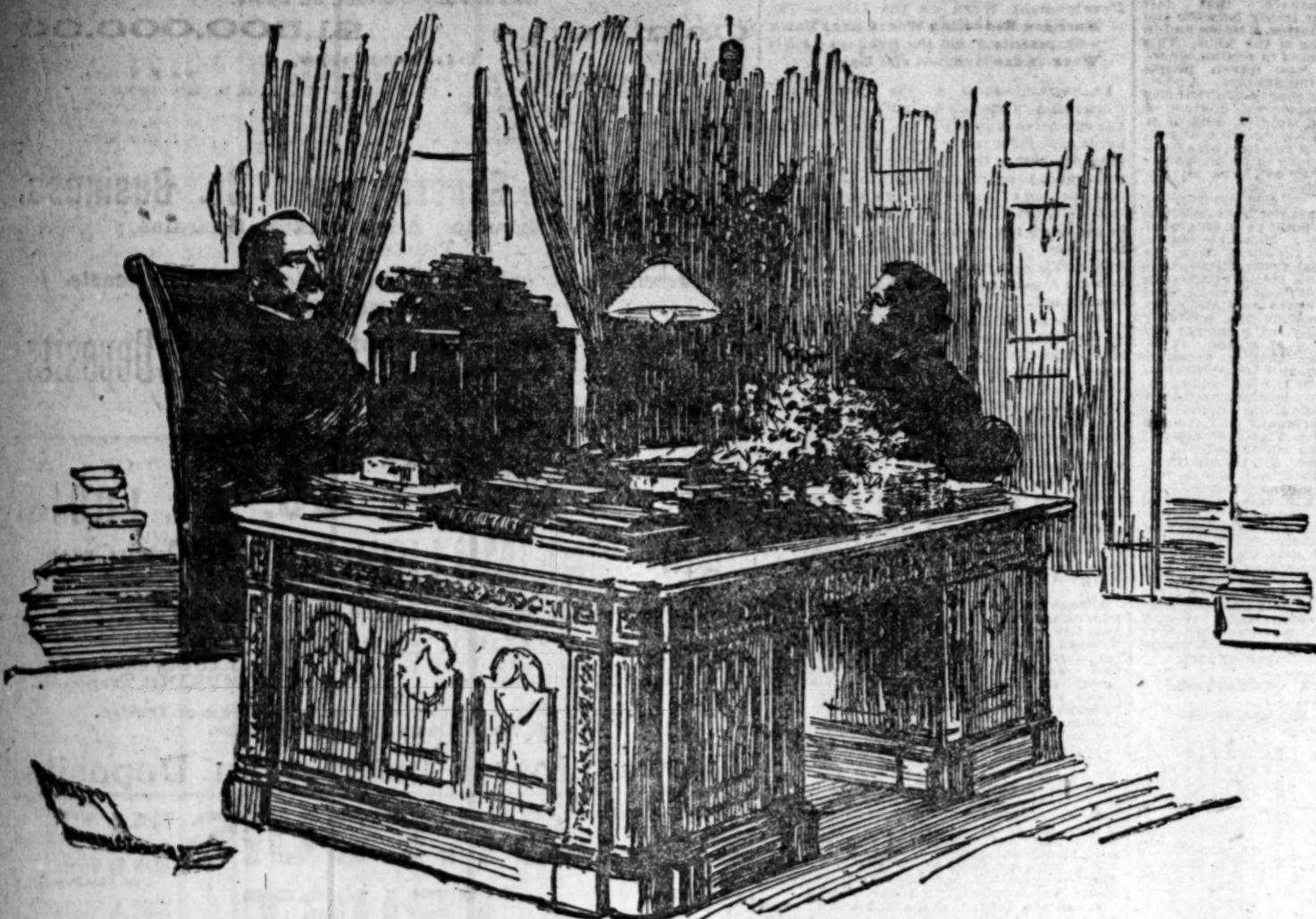






## IN MR. CLEVELAND'S WORKSHOP.

The President and His Aides as They Appear at Their Desks. Drawn for the Sunday Post-Dispatch by De Thulstrup, the Famous Illustrator, at Washington, D. C., April 4, by Special Permission of the President and His Cabinet.



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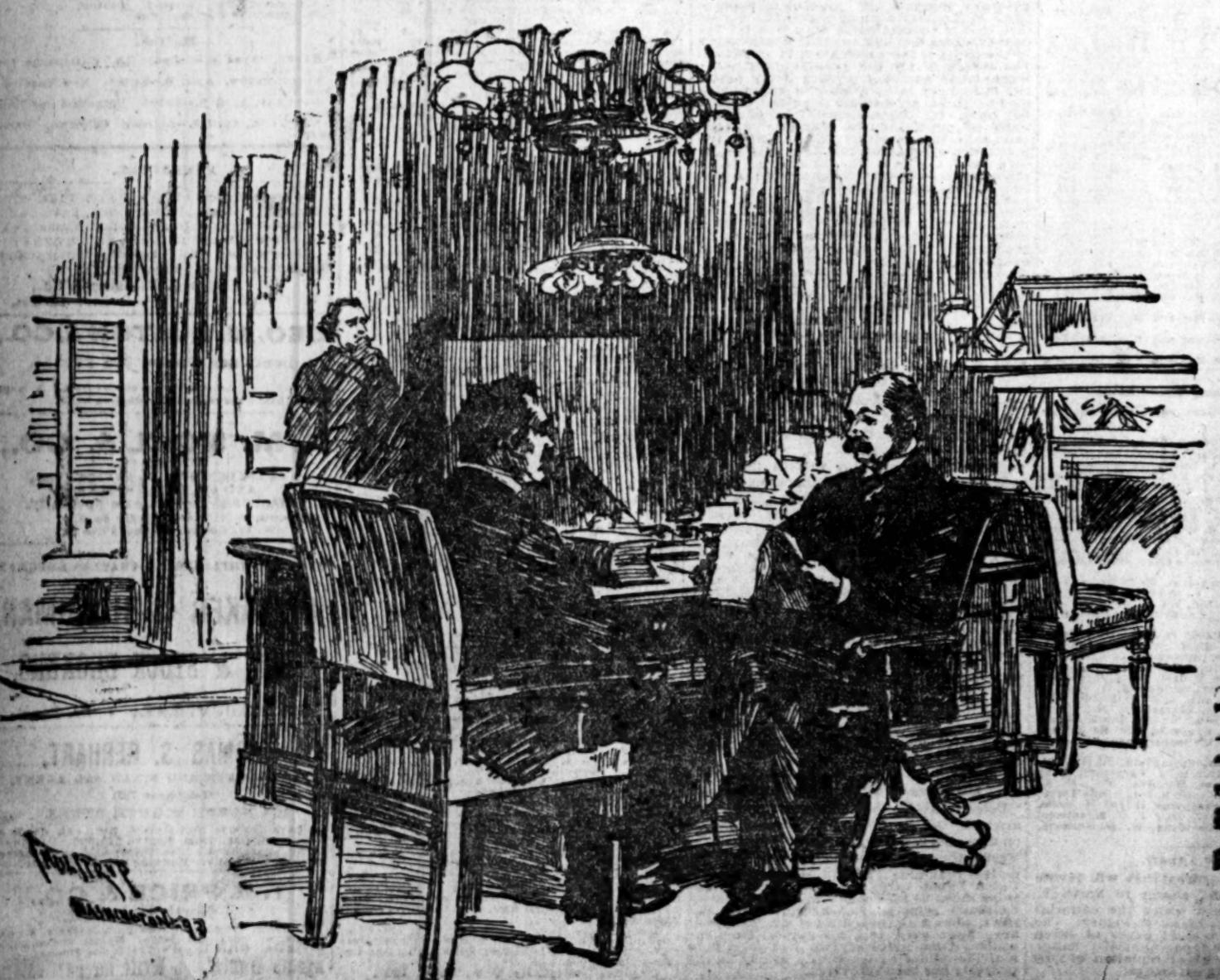
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Secretary Lamont in the War Department.



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Secretary Morton in the Agricultural Department.



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## BISMARCK'S OLD AGE

## THE IRON CHANCELLOR CLOSING HIS EIGHTH DECADE—HIS PRIVATE LIFE.

Written for the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

Still hale and hearty, Otto von Bismarck is the greatest living figure in Germany, nearing the completion of his four score years. And he is to travel all Germany, celebrating his 80th anniversary. He was 22 before his political career opened, but even at school he was distinguished. He attracted attention by his dexterity in the lecture room, his swagger, his immense capacity to drink beer, his twenty-eight duels provoked by his own swaggering conduct, and received with but one trifling wound—so expert was he with the sword. In his last semester at the University he quit his beer-drinking and dare-devil tricks, locked himself in his quarters, and in twelve weeks did the neglected work of the previous ninety, and entered the world of affairs as Herr Doktor. He became his father's agent in Pomerania, and completed then the sowing of his crop of wild oats.

Even in 1830 he had his idea of the German unity, and while yet unknown outside of his own locality, he announced his intention to be the architect of that plan.

His first medal was won from the Pomeranian Landtag for risking his own life to save another. His groom was thrown from his horse into the swift current of the river. Bismarck jumped in after the drowning man, who in an insanity of fright pinioned the rescuer in his arms. Bismarck seeing he could not loosen his death grip about the drowning man, turned to release his hold. Then seized the now helpless fellow with one arm and swimming with the other, he brought him safely to the bank. Long after, at a state ceremony, he was asked by Prince Metternich in what battle he had won his first medal. "It was given to me," said Bismarck, contemptuously, answering the sneer, "not for taking life, but for saving it. It's a habit I sometimes have."

In 1846 he decided to marry, fell in love with Johanna von Puttkamer, at once, kissed and hugged her in the presence of her parents on the occasion of his first introduction, an unheard of procedure in Germany, married the fraulein and ever afterwards freely gave her the credit of having made a man of him.

The marriage took place in July, 1847. That same year he was elected a member of the Prussian House of Commons, and at once attracted attention as an ultra royalist, an advocate of the extreme absolutism. In one of his speeches he made the remarkable remark that "the Prussian sovereigns are in possession of a crown not by the grace of the people, but by God's grace." Utterances of this sort ingratiated him with Fred-

Bismarck literally smoked defiance at Austria. In the bearing of the Austrian Ambassador, Bismarck easily read Austria's sense of her pre-eminence, and he determined to level the ranks. In the sessions of the Diet

into the politics of the Tuilleries. Not even yet had the full measure of the man been revealed to the world.

The time had now arrived when he was to prove his greatness. In September, 1867, he was appointed Minister of War from Paris to take the post of Prussian Minister of Foreign Affairs. And the twenty-eight years when he held that post are the most glorious years in the history of Prussia and of Germany. Every one remembers how the great magnificently fashioned German charmed unity, using King and Field Marshals, armies and Parliaments as the means by which he conquered Denmark, Austria and France, wrested the provinces of Schleswig-Holstein from the former and Alsace-Lorraine from the latter, dethroned the Hapsburgs from their leadership in Germany on the battle field of Sadowa, and made great German principalities realized the dream of centuries and saw the King of Prussia crowned German Emperor at Versailles in 1871. His prophetic words spoken in 1867 had come true, "Nothing would better please the people than to hang me on a gibbet, but I shall not have revenue. In a few years I shall be the most popular man in Germany."

And then when he had reached the summit of his glory he fell, because in his old age he had not found favor with the young Emperor, who has inherited the grandeur prepared for him by the statesmanship he has guarded.

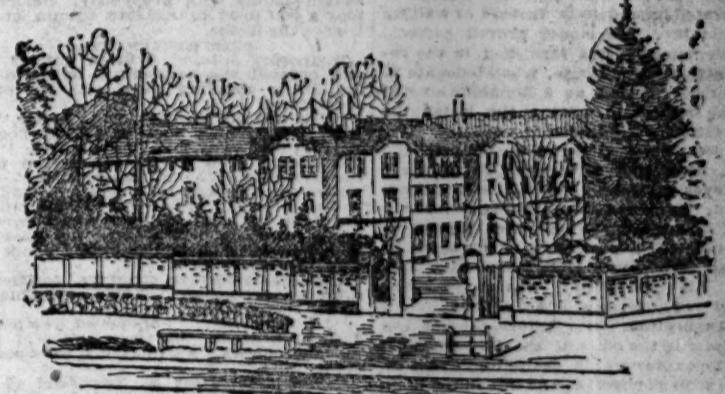
Friedrichsruh, his favorite residence, was originally a shooting box built by Count Lippe-Neipperg in 1781. The old building had completely disappeared, but on the spot



Princess Bismarck.

the Austrian representative was the only one who had the temerity to smoke. Bismarck has told the story himself.

"The Frankfort people," he said, "smu-



Bismarck's Home at Friedrichsruh.

bered with their eyes open. It was, indeed, a sleepy lot until I favored it with my own pepper. About the Austrian Ambassador? I was not present at the session. In the first session I attended Thinn puffed away a cigar without so much as a by your leave. So at the second I took a cigar out of my pocket and asked him for a light, which

where it stood a retired valst had built a tavern which for a long period bore the name of Frascati. After the Franco-Prussian war, in 1871, he sold it to the Prussian Minister of Finance, out of the indemnity paid by France, the sum of \$100,000. With a portion of this sum Bismarck purchased the property, restoring its ancient name to the domain. His residence is situated in the neighboring hills, where the wood of the neighboring forest of Sachsen-Wald is cut up and forwarded to Hamburg for shipbuilding purposes. The profit from this industry is put at \$25,000. In addition from his estate at Vardin, his farm at Schonehausen, his yeast factory at Stadt-Hanover and from various commercial enterprises in which he is interested he reives not less than \$150,000 per year. Being frugal almost to penury, he gives a large part of this sum to charity. He does not indulge in miscellaneous charity and at one time, when he was besieged by needy applicants, he published in the Berlin newspapers a singular announcement to the effect that it was useless to apply to him for help. The notice was characteristically unceremonious and cut-spoken.

Nevertheless, to his own tenantry Bismarck is kindness itself. In return they adore him, and every Christmas they testify to that adoration by deluging him with all sorts of presents. In the winter he serves his home-brewed ale to yards of sausages and mountains of Limburger, and when his physicians allow him—often, indeed, when they forbid him—he does full justice to these humble offerings.

The Prince's home life is as methodical as clock work. He rises at 10 o'clock, when he takes a cup of black coffee, rolls, and possibly a boiled egg or so. During this repast he reads the papers, and after it he looks over his mail. At 11 o'clock, breakfast, consisting of a small steak or chop, with a bottle of Rhine wine, is served at 11:30. An hour later he sets out for a walk through his estates, sometimes dropping in at a restaurant and refreshing himself with a cigar or two of beer. His companions are two small grey Danish hounds, which, indeed, never leave him, sleeping in his room at night, sitting beside him in his study and following him when he goes about the house.

At 2 o'clock Prince Bismarck returns to his study and takes up his work for the day. His main employment is said to be on a book of maps, and he will not be disturbed in the event of the hour when it appears. But little about this book has been allowed to leak out. During his work he has a pipe in his mouth, a cheap wood pipe filled with light tobacco. At 4 o'clock he goes out for a drive and re-

## Prince Bismarck.

erick William IV. His career was begun.

Yet he was no bootlicker, no fawning worshiper of royalty. He believed then as he always believed in the necessity for a strong central authority. He held that the army was the only reliable force in the King, in Army established royalty, in a loyal and steadfast army. The mailed hand has ever been the emblem of the government he prefers. He has ever been the bitter opponent of all that we call liberalism. He has

given me with astonishment depicted upon his countenance. But there is another story of the same sort. At the sittings of the Military Committee, when Hochow represented Prussia at the Federal Diet, Austria alone would gladly have done the same, but did not dare to. When I arrived, seeing no reason to the contrary, I asked the presiding officer to oblige me with a light. Obviously it was an event."



Bismarck's Study at Friedrichsruh.

always loathed all systems of government which rest on popular suffrage, looking on the ballot as on a dice-box, the instrument of chance and the tool of avarice and vice.

Bismarck's diplomatic career commenced in 1851, when he was appointed Chief Secre-

etary of the Prussian Legation at the resuscitated German Diet at Frankfort. And among the most interesting incidents in that session, anecdotes, too, whose point has a historical significance, are the stories of how

it was. It meant that Prussia was to overshadow Austria. The arms of his family bear three oak leaves and three fir leaves; all caricatured; of him represent him with three hairs on his head; he has the estates of Friedrichsruh, Vardin and Schonehausen. He has fought in three wars and signed three of the four articles of peace with each of the three Emperors and established the Triple Alliance. Finally, he has had under his command the National-Liberals and the Ultramontane, the National-Liberals, and the Ultramontane, and he has served three German

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Bismarck as He First Appeared in Congress.

He was then 20 years old for his 7 o'clock dinner. This is always a full dress affair, and there are usually a number of guests present.

He is not exactly an epicurean. His tastes are hardly delicate enough for that. But his once enormous appetite is even now only regular and well-tempered. He is a man who is obliged to content himself with none but the lightest and most digestible dishes. Still, the principal meal of the day is a hearty one. He begins his repast at 12 o'clock. Himself draws up every morning with his chef the menu of the day, and, no matter what it is, he is always served in an ante-chamber, the cook is always admitted without delay.

He is strangely imperious. He demands that his table be laid for him at 7 o'clock, and is fed of pointing out that it has played an important part in his life. The arms of his family bear three oak leaves and three fir leaves; all caricatured; of him represent him with three hairs on his head; he has the estates of Friedrichsruh, Vardin and Schonehausen. He has fought in three wars and signed three

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# HOME LIFE and WOMAN'S WORK



## WOMAN'S WORK.

### SUCCESS OF THE FIRST CONFERENCE OF THE CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS.

The first annual conference of the Woman's and Young Woman's Christian Associations held in St. John's Methodist Church proved a great success.

The first session convened on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, and Dr. Matthews, pastor of St. John's, made an opening prayer, and Miss Thompson conducted other devotional exercises.

The address of welcome was delivered by Mrs. Dr. Kuhn and was responded to by Mrs. Sheppard of Springfield, Mo. After that numerous committees were appointed, and the exercises closed until 2 p.m. with reports from institutions for the aged.

In the afternoon Mrs. G. F. Durant delivered an eloquent address on "Day Nurseries," followed by a report of the "North Side Day Nursery" and its works by Mrs. Flickinger, and the "South Side Day Nursery" by Mrs. J. M. Ladd.

Mrs. Mary E. Morgan Laddum delivered an address on "Physical Culture" at the night session, and most encouraging reports were heard of the Working Girls' Free Library and the Young Woman's Christian Association.

On Wednesday morning after the opening exercises a report on the women's Christian work at the Union Depot was read by Mrs. Dr. Kuhn.

An address on "Woman's Charity Work in St. Louis" was made by Rev. Geo. C. Adams of the Compton Hill Congregational Church.

A detailed report of the Women's Training School was read by Mrs. Flickinger.

Mrs. C. R. Springer made an address upon the opportunity that lay open for the new State Board.

The morning session closed with the reading of a report from a member of the Salvation Army, describing their work and its methods. In the afternoon Miss Dunn of the Kansas City Young Woman's Association delivered a talk on the work in that city.

Dr. John G. Edwards spoke on woman's work in general, and Rev. J. H. Early spoke upon the rescue of drunks, the work in which he is engaged.

A report of the White Cross Home was delivered by Mrs. D. W. Haydock, showing that the women and girls who have been rescued during the past year and were trying to lead honest lives.

The By-Laws Committee presented a set of rules for the government of the organization, which were adopted, and the conference closed with a vote of thanks to the people of St. Louis for the use of the church and to the officers of the board and press for courtesy.

### Confederate Museum.

The Bazaar will be opened at Richmond, Va., on next Tuesday for the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument and the Confederate Museum. The plans and methods have been carefully arranged, and a good effort of the ladies who have undertaken this work are with equal energy and interest by those from other States success is assured.

There will be a tent for each State of the Confederacy, including "The Solid South," which tent will be the largest. The "Baptist Wood Memorial Association," a band of young people who have taken up the work of caring for the soldiers' graves in Hollywood, have a special table, and the tables will be made as distinctive as possible, the State and shield colors will be used. The colors of the various states will be used, as far as possible to be obtained, either native or descendant or allied by marriage, in the State the represents.

The tables will be set by each table will be kept separate and announced at the close of the Bazaar.

There will be articles on sale at the Bazaar given out especially for the occasion, among them a Confederate souvenir spoon, with enameled flags on the handle. The Missouri State Capitol will be represented with a picture of the Missouri State Capitol building in the center.

The Bazaar will be opened at the close of an action committee of fourteen, of whom Mrs. George P. Stacy is Chairman and Mrs. Frances F. Lowry, alternate. The others are Mrs. Mary E. Morgan Laddum, G. M. Marshall, Mrs. Corn Scott, Mrs. C. Colemen of Williamsburg, Va., Mrs. M. A. Dowman, Mrs. J. M. Laddum, Mrs. J. L. Laddum, Mrs. G. W. Tanner, Mrs. Henry L. Watkinson, Misses Alice Sells, Blanch Blanford, Lucy F. Munford, Isabelle Moses.

### Decorative Art Society.

The Bazaar has been held in its Eleventh Annual Celebration during the past week. It has a large number of beautiful articles on exhibition. In the china display are some excellent examples of Rockwood ware. The Rockwood pottery was first exhibited in Cincinnati by Mrs. Maria Longworth, whose husband was a founder of the art school, and chief patron of the art museum in the same city.

There are three tables of this ware, "Copper," "silver-tinted ware for table; " "Gold Finish," which has the appearance of being unglazed, and a richly glazed ornamental plate.

Among the various articles on exhibition are hand embroideries, portières, table covers, hand-painted and inlaid cabinet work and many others.

Among the ladies most interested in this work are Misses Apolline M. Blair, Alice G. Fisher, Susannah G. Sells, Millie B. Stickney, Jeanie Nellinckrodt, Virginia Gregory and Miss Mary Lionberger.

Young Women's Self-Culture Club.

The Self-Culture Dressing Society will meet Monday evening at 7:30 on Wash street.

The Young Women's American history class will meet the same evening.

The young men's class in the study of national, State and city government meets on Wednesday evening.

Thursday evening, young women's night, the young men's night, the young men's class, the subject of the "Reign of the Slaves" and also a short musical programme.

Next Thursday evening, Mr. Frank will lecture upon "England During the Commonwealth."

At the Free Reading Rooms 2044 Broadway, Mr. Frank will give on Friday night the same lecture that he delivered at Self-Culture Hall on Thursday evening.

The reading and literary class will meet Monday evening and there will be a lecture on Friday night.

Daughters of the Confederacy.

The Daughters of the Confederacy held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. in the parlor of the West End Hotel. Mrs. M. A. E. McFate presiding.

The Secretary read the minutes of the preceding meeting, which was approved, and letters were then read from auxiliaries at Excelsior Springs, Mo., and from Mrs. A. C. May, of Chas. A letter was read from Mobley, Mo., suggesting Capt. John W. Divers for manager of the Blighsville Hotel. Capt. C. G. Divers is a strong candidate for the place.

A reception took

place on Thursday

evening of Mrs.

### TEN EXERCISES FOR A TIRED BACK.

The human back has twenty-six separate bones, so strong together that they have very little individual movement; but what little they have ought to be carefully preserved, if we would be capable, graceful and easy.

Children have more separate bones; these become joined into two, to form the solid back with the pot—that bony basin which holds our delicate abdominal organs.

Kate Campbell Hurst, M. D., in giving advice to women with tired backs, suggests the following simple exercises, which require no apparatus and which will make the back flexible and muscular.

1. Stand perfectly balanced, heels together, shoulders back—not high—heel up, chin as double as possible. (b) Hands on hips, fingers forward. Take a long breath as slowly as possible and as slowly exhale, with mouth shut. Repeat ten times.

2. (a) Same position. Heels together, toes turned out, hips firm. (b) Bend head and back slowly backward, keeping eyes on the ceiling, and arching back well and taking deep inspiration. (c) Bend forward, still looking at the ceiling, shoulders well back. Repeat ten times.

3. Rotate the head slowly. Bend the head to right and left. Do it all very slowly and forcibly.

4. Arms upward—stretch; keeping them close to the ears. Forward, downward-bend, until the finger tips touch the floor; upward, backward bend, always keeping your head between your arms. Repeat five times.



5. Position! Fingers touching shoulders of same side—shoulders well back. Now forcibly extend your arms upward, three times; outward three times, out and downward. This is like one of the old dumb-bell exercises, but you do not need dumb-bells if you will do the movements with life.

6. Lie flat on your back on the floor, and take long, deep inspirations, first making sure that the windows are open and that you are breathing pure air. And, of course, you are not exercising in your corsets. Now, with feet well extended, with hips firm, try to get up without using your arms.

7. Lie face down on the floor with your hips firm and see how far you can raise your head and trunk.

8. March up and down the room, extending your arms upward at every fourth step, keeping regular martial time.

9. After a week or two you will be ready for more violent exercise. Lie down, face down, hand on the floor just under your shoulders. Raise your body on your toes and arms, keeping your knees and back perfectly straight. Lower your back to the floor very slowly. Repeat three times.

10. If you have a doorway apparatus, fasten your vaulting bar at the height of your waist line. Stand with your right side to the bar—a stair rail will answer for a bar—extend your arms upward and bend your body to the right against the bar for support. Do the same on the left side.

Finally finish your exercise with a "breathing." Rub your back with strong, cold brine, then at times alternate with very hot water. Take a glass of warm milk or hot water, go to bed, and ten chances to one you will sleep the entire night without a dream, while your awakened blood will hurry to rebuild broken down tissues and remove the waste matter of the day.

Miner Mortisher on Delmar avenue for the visiting delegates.

Woman's Training School.

Lessons for the week:

Tuesday—Cooking from 9 to 12 a. m. Soup, baked ham, cold slaw, potatoes, apple meringue.

Thursday, from 9 a. m.—Breadmaking, making yeast, light bread, rolls, Dixie biscuits, and rolls.

Classes in stenography, dressmaking, plain sewing and other departments the same as usual.

Deaconesses' Home.

The attendance at the sewing school of the Deaconesses' Home has been quite large and better work has been done. The organ has proved of great help, as children all love to sing.

A canvass of the neighborhood showed a number of children who were connected with no Sunday school, and were brought up without religious faith.

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The body and across the back. This mode of force is the effect of forcing up the flesh of the breast, so that the muscles become much fatter and more desirable than it naturally was. Thousands of thin and consumptive animals were sold in this way to inexperienced persons.

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The towels are exhibited with the backs exposed to view, the hocks being tied together over the center of the breast, and three or four of the quill feathers of the wings, which have been left untouched for this purpose, are pulled between them. In this manner

### DOWN WITH THE SOAP-BOX.

Together With Cheese-Cloth, Flannel and Other Aids to Decoration

In a recent number of a housekeepers' paper a subscriber pathetically asks for practical directions for making a divan at home—not made of the everlasting old packing-box, which miraculously happens to be just the right size."

This is the key to the situation in the making of "home-brewed" furniture—the packing-box that is always the right size. This is what comes to mind in some people's hand, and that result is crossed with success, while with others it is so obviously a pack-sack in spite of pink silks and muslin and lace, that the result is failure.

The feminine idea of finance is not always "up to the figures." A woman spends a dollar or two for materials, 75 cents for a "little carpentering help," a quarter and some odd dimes for gimp and tacks and various odds and ends, and the outcome is a nondescript article of furniture, with the packing box showing plainly through all the ribbons and ruffles.

With a little more money added a new article could be purchased, for furniture is marvelously cheap now.

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## NYE IN CALIFORNIA

HE BOAMS AT LARGE IN ITS LUXURIOUS ORANGE GROVES.

Written for the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH.

AMONG THE ORANGES AND LEMONS.

The contrast between Maine and Southern California as rival winter resorts is very great. Here the orange is picked during the entire year, and it is estimated that enough oranges fall off and are plowed under at fertilizers each year to supply the new State of Wyoming completely the year round.

It is estimated that established orange orchards of a good quality yield per cent on the investment. Of course poor brands of oranges, fruit of ill-tempered orchards of poor, miserly applying yield much less. A young orchard not only does this after it is bearing, but increases very greatly in value each year. This information I get from old and tried friends and not from agents.



Eating Sixteen Large Oranges.

The banana grows in Southern California, but would rather not. It was induced to this country by the tarantula, which flourishes here and loves to dust off one's chest with his hairy legs. An amateur Cleopatra here used the tarantula with great effect to make her hair grow. The tarantula, however, was not so easily taken, so much skirt dancing and callithene that the scene was good and did much to revive "Cleopatra" on the coast.

As I write this it is raining great big violent drops. The rain of the wet kind, and yet a hospitable man has his open Victoria at the door for me to go riding for the purpose of adding to my collection of scenes.

Hospitality is one of the best products of the human heart, and there is no danger of overindulgence. The most beautiful scenery from the Natural Bridges in Virginia to the Golden Gate that when any one says scenery to me, I write. Orange orchards are rare and beautiful sights, but when I can sit in this warm room gathered about me the oranges from the tree outside from the window, why should I put on my fur overcoat and a mackintosh in order to freeze and cry out with assumed delight every half mile or so while I gradually get Fomons of the lungs?

Everybody knows here that one can well ask for except hard wood and coal. Coal here mostly comes from British Columbia and Australia.

The seasons of the year here don't know enough to come to the same. As a well known San Francisco poet and chirodoptist so truly and sweetly describes it:

"The land where it's always afternoon,

of which the savants tell us all are

summer, autumn and winter,

and are not used here at all. You

can calendar to know

when the fruit or the flowers of the

tree grow in great big masses

put them a bearskin overcoat

is full of moth powder should

it feet away the year round.

you get a fine prospect. You

the sun shines on and in.

All doubtless expect the most

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